

The Ontario Argus

GET THE ROAD FUNDS.

To participate in a portion of the benefits to be derived from the State Road bonds authorized by the special bonding election held in June 1917, the people of Malheur county will be asked this fall to authorize a special tax to raise the \$26,000 required of the county to secure the State and Federal appropriations designated for this county.

The proposed special tax, which will be less than one mill should receive the vote of every person in the county who goes to the polls in November. By approving of the tax Malheur county for \$26,000 will receive \$56,000. Of this sum \$40,000 will come from the funds provided in the Bean-Barrett bill and the balance the Federal Highway funds.

There should be no opposition to a proposition that will give the county four dollars for every one that it votes itself. It would be a mighty short sighted policy that would reject such a proposal for this state and federal aid is as nearly a proposition of getting something for nothing as one could imagine.

The reason it is necessary to vote the special road tax is simply due to conditions in the County Road funds. Under the 1917 law 70 per cent of all road taxes are retained directly to the credit of the district in which they are raised. That leaves only 30 per cent in the County's general road fund. This 30 per cent being used for the upkeep of bridges and for aid in small districts where the funds provided by law are insufficient, cannot be used to match the State Federal appropriation. Even if it could be used, it is insufficient for 30 per cent of the total for next year will only be about \$16,000.

The petitions calling for the passing of the special tax on the ballots for the fall election are being circulated now and if presented to any voter who favors the development of the county and the bettering of its roads, a condition absolutely essential to that development.

The argument that this is not the time to build roads need not be considered in this case, for even if the roads cannot be built until after the war, the county should match the State and Federal appropriation, for failure to do so will result in the appropriation going to some other county that is willing to meet the requirements. Then the addition of one mill to the levy will never be noticed. What a good state highway in the county would be of untold benefit.

Malheur county never has had such an opportunity to participate in the distribution of State and Federal money and certainly should not reject the offer at this time. To get that money, sign the petition now and then vote for the measure this fall.

IP?

If the American soldiers in France fought as half heartedly as the people of Ontario and Malheur county are buying Fourth Liberty Loan bonds, would the Hun be on the run now? Hardly.

What can be done about it? What are you going to do about it? Have you taken YOUR quota?

That is the question? Are you buying with a much spirit as they are fighting?

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If you are not worthy of looking a soldier in the face when he returns after having aided in making life worth living for you, and your children.

Since YOUR NAME is not on the roll of the men over there, there is only one reason why your name should not be on the roll of the men and women over here who are supporting the boys over there. That reason is poverty.

If you are not poverty stricken you must buy Fourth Liberty Loan bonds. There is no denying it. Unless you do buy them you are less than a Real American. You are a slacker. You are not buying over here as they are fighting over there—do your utmost. Buy more Loan Bonds.

Spain Takes Over German Steamships.

Madrid.—The Spanish government has decided to take over all the German steamships interned in Spanish ports, in accordance with Spain's recent note to Berlin, because of the torpedoing of Spanish vessels by German submarines.

Belgians Compelled to Fortify Rhine.

Amsterdam.—The Germans, according to advices from the Belgian frontier, are rushing thousands of Belgians to the Rhine bank to dig trenches all the way between Cologne and Switzerland.

September Call 150,000 Men.
Washington—Approximately 150,000 draftees will be called out during September.

RECORD AGES FOR HORSES

Many Have Lived Far Beyond What Is Generally Considered Their Allotted Span.

Ruben, a farmer of a small town in New Hampshire, tells of a new kind of conservation. In his neighborhood are four horses in active service, though all over twenty years of age. He has one himself "hard upon" twenty-four years. A former neighbor has another which is close to thirty. Two others in the vicinity are around the quarter-century mark. As he says, it is only in a rural community, where they cherish the horse almost like a member of the family, where one could expect to find such a record. Even there this demonstration of longevity is striking.

Nevertheless, the oldest horse that the Nomad ever saw was in the service of the New York city surface railway system. This horse was, at the time when the Nomad was acquainted with him, actually forty-two years old, and he lived two years longer. He had been a street-car horse on New York pavements, and then was used as a "hill horse," or extra puller, on slopes, and then, when he became about thirty years old, was retired on a pension, spending most of his time in dignified ease in a box-stall; and he lived on in this way, apparently without a pain or an ache, until he was forty-four. All this can be proved and authenticated from the documents.

The Nomad's own old saddle horse, Brownie, lived to be thirty-odd—no one knows exactly how many more years there were than thirty—but thirty were authenticated, and he was a good horse when the count began. Brownie looked round and smooth even after thirty, but his legs were like sticks, and his interest in life, beyond grass, was slight.—The Nomad in Boston Transcript.

IT ECHOES IN BERLIN



Every steel steamship turned out in our hundred and more shipyards has more than a million rivets, and the rat-tat-tat of the riveters' "guns" swells in chorus with the clicking of the machine guns in France to drown the dying German cheers over their submarine exploits.

The clinking dollars of the Fourth Liberty Loan will add a shriller voice to that chorus and further lower German morale.

It's easy to cheer for our boys in France. Make your dollars shout in the Fourth Liberty Loan. Germany will understand their voice without translation.

RADER'S

Come and see our complete display of the best the new season has to offer.

Our fall suits, dresses, coats, furs, waists, silks dress goods and accessories are not as expensive as you might imagine they would be, and they have the priceless quality of giving their wearers a smartness and distinctiveness of appearance.

All of this is in perfect harmony with America's increased ability to accomplish big things in the designing and making of apparel

In style, price and quality our new garments and accessories are the result of a concerted effort to economize sensibly as our government has urged.

Suit prices range from	-	\$20.00 to \$72.50
Coat prices range from	-	\$17.50 to \$98.00
Dress prices range from	-	\$13.50 to \$38.50
Skirt prices range from	-	\$3.50 to \$18.00
Waist prices range from	-	\$1.50 to \$8.50
Fur prices range from	-	\$5.00 to \$35.00

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Many women will make more apparel this year than ever before. Our present showing of fabrics is worth coming miles to see. The colors are as rich as those of autumn itself. The designs and patterns are exclusive. The qualities are the best you can obtain for the price.

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What Makes Thunder Rumble.
Why does thunder rumble? The path of a lightning flash through the air may be several miles in length. All along this path the sudden expansion of the heated air—a true explosion—sets up an atmospheric wave, which spreads in all directions, and eventually registers upon our ears as thunder. Since the lightning discharge is almost instantaneous the sound wave is produced at very nearly the same time

along the whole path. But the sound wave travels slowly through the air. Its speed is approximately 1,090 feet per second. Thus the sound from the part of the lightning's path that is nearest to us reaches us first, and that from the other parts of the path afterward, according to their distance. Intermittent crashes and booming effects are due chiefly to irregularities in the shape of the path.—Popular Science Monthly.